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### Who Is OSHA? Who Is PERRP?

- o Occupational **S**afety and **H**ealth **A**dministration
- o **P**ublic **E**mployment **R**isk **R**eduction **P**rogram
- o Both agencies are responsible for worker safety and health protection.



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### PERRP History



- o **1970** – Federal OSHA created (public employees exempted from coverage)
- o **1973** – Governor’s executive order signed providing safety and health protection for executive branch state employees (OPESH)
- o **1992** – Ohio Public Employment Risk Reduction Act passed (House Bill 308); OPESH becomes PERRP extending coverage to most local government employees
- o **July 1994** – the Act went into full effect
- o **July 2005** – PERRP became part of the Ohio Bureau of Workers’ Compensation

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**The required PERRP poster replaces OSHA posters in Ohio governmental workplaces!**



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**PERRP Purpose**

- o Ensure public employees in Ohio have a safe and healthy work environment by:
  - Identifying workplace hazards and reducing those hazards through effective safety and health programs.
  - Developing and enforcing **mandatory** job safety and health standards.
  - Maintaining a reporting and recordkeeping system to monitor job-related injuries and illnesses.
  - Providing assistance, training and other support programs to help public employers and workers understand their rights and responsibilities.

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**PERRP Inspection Priorities**

Priority	Category of Inspection
1st	<b>Refusal to Work:</b> <i>Reasonable certainty an immediate danger exists</i>
2nd	<b>Fatality/Multiple Hospitalization:</b> <i>Reported to PERRP within eight hours; inspected ASAP</i>
3rd	<b>Complaints:</b> <i>Worker or worker representative can file a complaint about a safety or health hazard</i>
4th	<b>Compliance Assistance Inspections:</b> <i>Voluntary inspections encourage a pro-active approach to addressing workplace hazards</i>

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## Compliance...

The foundation of an effective safety and health program isn't complete until you meet the minimum requirements!

Lab safety		Noise		PRCS	
HAZWOPER		PSM		LO/TO	
PPE		HAZCOM		BBP	
300P LOG		300AP		301P/FROI	

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## Most Common Violations

- PERRP publishes a list of the most frequently cited standards on our website for the previous calendar year.
- This list can be a helpful tool for identifying potentially hazardous conditions.

Code	Standard	Count
1	OSHA 1910.103(a)(1)	100
2	OSHA 1910.103(a)(2)	100
3	OSHA 1910.103(a)(3)	100
4	OSHA 1910.103(a)(4)	100
5	OSHA 1910.103(a)(5)	100
6	OSHA 1910.103(a)(6)	100
7	OSHA 1910.103(a)(7)	100
8	OSHA 1910.103(a)(8)	100
9	OSHA 1910.103(a)(9)	100
10	OSHA 1910.103(a)(10)	100
11	OSHA 1910.103(a)(11)	100
12	OSHA 1910.103(a)(12)	100
13	OSHA 1910.103(a)(13)	100
14	OSHA 1910.103(a)(14)	100
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## PERRP Compliance Review

### INFORMATION CHECKLIST

**Ohio Public Employers must:**

- ✓ Inform workers of their right to a safe workplace by displaying the PERRP poster
- ✓ Inform workers how to report a work-related injury or illness to the employer
- ✓ Maintain injury & illness records and make those records available to workers
- ✓ Allow PERRP access to records
- ✓ Post and submit an annual summary of injuries & illnesses
- ✓ Report each worker death
- ✓ Report each incident that hospitalizes 3 or more workers

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## Fatal Facts

Case Studies of Workplace Tragedies  
That Could Have Been Prevented!




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### Fatal Fact CT-001

- Road maintenance employee was assigned work as a flagger on a road berming operation.
- During the operation the flagger walked in front of the berming machine to retrieve a drink bottle.
- The tires of the machine apparently caught the heel of the employee's boot which knocked him to the ground and he was struck by the equipment.

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### Fatal Fact CT-002

- Volunteer was assigned (volunteered) to repair a motor vehicle.
- While working on the vehicle, flammable or combustible vapors were ignited by a handlamp.
- Resulting flashover consumed the individual while he was apparently retrieving two portable fire extinguishers.

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### Fatal Fact CU-002

- Employee was setting up a lighting table for indoor plants.
- Plants were set up on a metal rack with attached fluorescent lighting that had defective electrical wiring.
- Lighting was used with a timer and grounding adapter that interrupted the continuity of the equipment grounding conductor.



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### Fatal Fact CY-001

- Crew of three workers were called on a weekend to respond to a flooded wastewater dry well.
- Crew used a gasoline powered pump to empty well.
- One crew member collapsed and died after entering drained well.
- Second worker collapsed and was hospitalized after attempting to rescue first worker.



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### Fatal Fact CY-002

- Grounds maintenance worker was assigned to mow a vacant lot with a tractor.
- While mowing, the tractor's Roll Over Protection Systems (ROPS) hit a low hanging tree branch causing it to fall.
- The worker was found slumped over the steering wheel with a tree branch on his neck.



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### Fatal Fact CY-003

- Street maintenance worker was assigned to chip tree limbs near the intersection of two low traffic volume residential streets with 25 mph speed limits.
- While operating the chipper the worker was struck by a passing motorist.




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### Fatal Fact SA-002

- Seasonal employee assigned to service a commercial lawn mower.
- Worker used a hydraulic floor jack to raise mower deck during maintenance and did not support the deck with jack stands.
- When found by co-workers, the victim's head was pinned underneath the mower deck.




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### Fatal Fact SD-001

- Public employee was assisting a private contractor as a ground crew member in the removal of a dangerous tree in a playground.
- Contractor was working from an aerial lift while the ground crew chipped limbs.
- During the operation a falling limb struck the public employee on the back of his head.




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### Fatal Fact SD-002

- Employee was assigned to repair a tire mounted on a two-piece rim
- Note left by previous shift indicated the tire was "flat"
- As employee began to dismount the tire from the rim the air pressure was released and the wheel struck the employee and continued upward approximately 15 feet striking an overhead door




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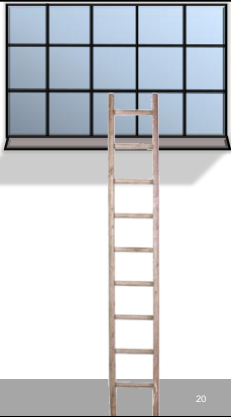
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### Fatal Fact SV-001

- Employee used a portable ladder to cover windows with paper so that a room would be darkened for a movie.
- Employee improperly used ladder and placed one foot on the window ledge and one foot on the portable ladder and fell ≈10 feet to concrete floor.




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### Fatal Fact SV-003

- Building custodial worker assigned task of replacing a "burned out" parking lot light bulb.
- Worker rolled a manually propelled elevating work platform to the parking lot.
- Platform was elevated ≈26' without outriggers on an uneven surface and the lift toppled ejecting the worker.




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### Fatal Fact SV-004

- Facility maintenance worker was working on a stadium sound system.
- Sound system was mounted on a lighting tower in close proximity to an electrical transformer.
- While adjusting a speaker, worker was shocked and fell ≈20 feet to a paved surface.



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### Fatal Fact SV-005

- Mechanic was called to service a disabled vehicle.
- Upon arrival, the mechanic determined the front right tire had been cut and the bus required a tow.
- While contacting a tow company, employee was struck by a motor vehicle.



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### Fatal Fact VT-001

- Wastewater treatment worker was working alone at a normally unmanned plant.
- Employee was using a typical sampling cup to collect clarifier samples.
- While collecting samples, the employee fell into the clarifier tank and was pulled under by the tank pump.



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## PERRP Compliance Assistance

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## Compliance Assistance

- Requests for assistance demonstrate an employer's Good Faith effort to achieve compliance!
- PERRP offers these risk reduction services



Safety surveys



Health surveys



Training

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## Compliance Services

- PERRP provides compliance services free of charge.
- Submit requests by mail, fax, or on BWC's website: [www.ohiobwc.com](http://www.ohiobwc.com).
- You can also phone in a request to PERRP by calling the investigator/consultant in your area or by contacting the PERRP central office between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at:  
**1-800-671-6858.**

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### Other sources of information

- o BWC website: <http://www.ohiobwc.com>
- o Ohio Center for Occupational Safety and Health (OCOSH) courses
- o OSHA website: <http://www.osha.gov>
- o National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) – OSHA’s sister agency
- o OSHA Training Institute Education Centers
- o Doctors, nurses, other health care providers
- o PERRP Compliance Investigators

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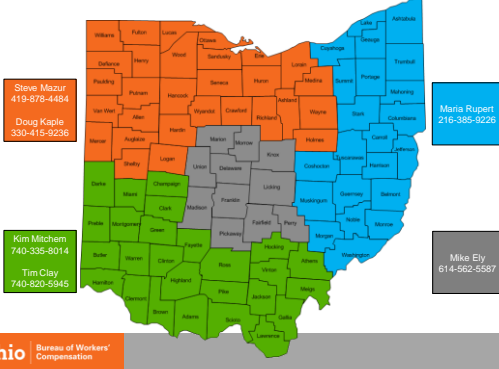
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### PERRP Compliance Officers




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### More Information

Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation  
**Public Employment Risk Reduction Program**  
 13430 Yarmouth Drive  
 Pickerington, Ohio 43147

PERRP's Main Number & Refusal to Work/  
 Fatality Hotline: **1-800-671-6858**

BWC's Main Number: 1-800-OHIOBWC

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